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## **COMMISSION DIRECTIVE**

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS		DATE	October 30, 2007
MOTOR CARRIER MATTERS		DOCKET NO.	2007-193-C
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## **SUBJECT:**

DOCKET NO. 2007-193-C – <u>Petition of FTC Communications, Incorporated d/b/a FTC Wireless for the Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier</u> – A Hearing was Held on this Matter on July 25, 2007 – This Matter is Ready for Final Disposition.

## **COMMISSION ACTION:**

The Commission has proposed guidelines for its consideration of applications for designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC). Although these guidelines are currently before the Legislature for final approval, they should provide guidance to applicants concerning what information the Commission considers important when determining if granting ETC approval is in the public interest. In Docket No. 2006-37-C, Order No.2007-424, the Commission stated, "... the public interest should be paramount in our consideration of all ETC applications." It is my opinion that the information contained in FTC Wireless' prefiled testimony and exhibits combined with information presented at the evidentiary hearing provides sufficient evidence that FTC Wireless will increase investment by the amount of Universal Service funds its receives to enhance service in underserved and unserved rural areas in South Carolina. Such actions, in my opinion, are necessary conditions for meeting the public interest. Therefore, I move to approve the application of FTC Communications, Inc. d/b/a FTC Wireless for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier pursuant to U.S.C 214(e)(2).

PRESIDING	<u>Hamilton</u>				Session: Regular
	MOTION	YES	NO	OTHER	Time of Session 1:30 p.m.
CLYBURN FLEMING HAMILTON HOWARD MITCHELL MOSELEY WRIGHT				Absent	APPROVED

Commissioner Wright was on Family Sick Leave